

**PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 10, 1984**

Pursuant to the Articles of Association, as amended by the Provo River Distribution System, and due notice having been given to all members, the Board of Directors of the Provo River Distribution System convened at 10:00 A.M. on January 10, 1984 in Room 311 of the Utah County Courthouse.

Chairman J. Edwin Ure presided.

On roll call, the following Board members were present:

J. Edwin Ure, Chairman	Group 1 Kamas Valley Canals
Sherman A. Giles	Group 2 Upper Provo, East Heber Valley
Harvey Van Wagoner, Vice-Chair.	Group 3 Upper Provo, West Heber Valley
Jesse Robinson	Group 4 Provo City Canals
Stanley H. Roberts	Group 5 East Provo Canals
Kenneth R. Gillman	Group 6 Provo Bench Canals
Franklin K. Stratton	Group 7 Provo Reservoir Water Users Co.
Jack M. Gardner, Secty.-Treas.	Group 8 Provo River Water Users Asso.
Ferrell Knight for Ernest Knight	Group 9 Upper Provo Individual Rights

Also present were:

Stanley H. Roberts, Jr.	Provo River Commissioner
Hugh A. McKellar	Provo River Water Users Association
M. Wayne Hillier	Metropolitan Water District of Provo
Sheldon H. Talbot	Central Utah Water Conservancy District
Mack A. Anderson, Sec.	Metropolitan Water District of Orem
Donald D. Shaw, Pres.	Metropolitan Water District of Orem
Robert N. Westover, Treas.	Metropolitan Water District of Provo

CORRECTION AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 11, 1983.

There being no corrections or amendments, Director Giles moved that the minutes be adopted, seconded by Director Van Wagoner and carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1984.

Chairman Ure advised that the next order of business was to nominate and elect officers for the ensuing year.

Whereupon Director Giles moved that the rules be suspended and that by acclamation the present officers be re-elected, seconded by Director Stratton and carried unanimously.

1983 FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

At the request of Chairman Ure, Secretary Gardner presented the last year's financial statement of the River System's operations, noting that the assessment was set at \$40,000.00 and there were receipts from assessments of \$40,174.03 and receipts of delinquent accounts of \$119.63 for a total receipts of \$40,293.66. The expenditures during the year were \$41,266.52. That the Distribution Trust Fund as of December 31, 1983, had a balance of \$6,501.66 and that \$42,000.00 had been budgeted as against the actual expenditure of \$41,266.52.

Delinquent assessments were noted in the amount of \$349.93 and it was agreed to discuss the delinquent assessments with the State Engineer at the meeting to be held this following Thursday.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT ON 1983 OPERATION:

Commissioner Roberts noted that the 1983 annual report would be completed and distributed within two weeks.

Whereupon Commissioner Roberts called on Deputy Commissioner Giles for his report of distribution of the Wasatch Division during the past irrigation season.

Deputy Commissioner Giles noted that the 1983 irrigation season in Heber Valley began May 1st and that the Head of the River reservoirs filled. That the natural flow of the river is over twice what it normally is with 200 c.f.s. at Midway gauge.

Deputy Commissioner Giles then noted that as of January 1, 1984 that the water content and % of normal of certain measuring stations on the Provo River and Weber River drainages were as follows:

<u>STATION</u>	<u>SNOW OF DEPTH</u>	<u>WATER CONTENT</u>	<u>% OF NORMAL</u>
Trial Lake	61"	19.2"	179
Beaver Creek Divide	30"	8.2"	222
Daniels-Strawberry Summit	42"	13.5"	237
Current Creek	31"	9.6"	246
Smith & Morehouse	39"	11.6"	219
Soapstone	42"	11.4"	211

Deputy Commissioner Giles presented a summary of the 1983 irrigation season as follows:

We received above normal precipitation for the winter of 1982-83. In Heber Valley 5 inches of moisture fell in the months of September and October 1982. The snowpack on the Provo River Water

shed was above normal. The 1983 irrigation season proved to be the best in the 25 years that I have served on the river.

We had some flooding in Heber Valley from the Canyons to the East namely--Lake Creek, Center Creek and Daniels Creek. Lake Creek flooded Heber City for about two weeks during the high runoff in June. The Provo River peaked on May 31, (Decoration Day) at 3085 c.f.s.

Because of the extreme high runoff from the canyons to the East of the valley we could not fill the Wasatch and Timp canals from the Provo River through the months of May and June. These canals were used to carry some of the runoff water away from Heber City.

Because of the canals were used for flood waters, the amount of water diverted from the Provo River will be less for 1983 in the Commissioner's report.

We had so much rainfall during the irrigation season that much of the hay crops were spoiled during harvest. We were able to deliver 100% of the first class rights and had some secondary water through the entire irrigation season. Too much water can be detrimental as was evidenced in Utah County and other parts of the state in 1983.

I enjoyed my work as Deputy Commissioner on the Provo in 1983 and would like to thank the people who worked with me. The water users on the Provo River, the Provo River Distribution System, Commissioner Stanley H. Roberts, the State Engineer's Office and the Provo River Water Users Association for their help in building rock dams along the river.

Sincerely,

Sherman A. Giles
Deputy Commissioner
Provo River

Commissioner Roberts presented a "Summary of the Provo River Natural Flow" in mean c.f.s. for the years 1948 thru 1983, April thru October.

It was noted that in May of 1952 the mean for the month was 2266 c.f.s. and was the highest of record in the 35 years period prior to 1983. That in June of 1983 the mean for the month was 2500 c.f.s. That the total acre feet during the seven month period was 396,602 acre feet in 1952 403,015 in 1969 and 429,454 in 1983 with 1983 being again the record year.

Commissioner Roberts advised that as of December 31, Deer Creek Reservoir had 133,642 acre feet in storage. That 6127 was Utah Power and Light Company's tertiary storage and that it was being drawn out. This would leave approximately 127,500 acre feet in storage with approximately 25,000 acre feet of storage space

in the reservoir. That on March 31, 1983, the reservoir was declared full. That no water is being diverted from the Duchesne Tunnel and only a small amount thru the Weber-Provo Diversion Canal. Director Gardner advised that Beaver Creek water which normally is tributary to Weber River has no longer a natural channel and it is brought over and it is essentially less than the Salt Lake Aqueduct takes into Salt Lake County.

Commissioner Roberts expressed his appreciation to the Board for their cooperation in the 1983 season.

NOMINATION OF WATER COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR 1984.

Director Gillman inquired of the outcome of last years resolution wherein the officers of the Board, the Commissioner and Mr. McKellar were to meet with the State Engineer to discuss problems that had arisen in the distribution of water in the 1982 water year.

Director Gardner advised that the State Engineer had met with the group and the outcome was stated in a letter dated March 22, 1983 to the Distribution System and upon the request of the Chairman read the following letter to the Board.

"A follow-up meeting, set up at the Provo River Distribution System Annual Meeting, was held March 9, 1983.

Distribution of water and reporting of this use was discussed. The items of discussion were:

1. The exchange between Rock Canyon and Smith Ditch.
2. The record keeping for Provo Reservoir Canal.
3. The storage of Lost Lake water in Deer Creek Reservoir.
4. The storage of Utah Power & Light water in Deer Creek Reservoir during the irrigation season.
5. The bi-monthly reports of the Commissioner.

The following policies, to assist the Commissioner, were arrived at the meeting as follows:

1. The Rock Canyon-Smith Ditch exchange is to be made in accordance with the present filings. Particularly, Exchange Application 961, until such time as Provo City files new applications and has obtained their approval.
2. Lost Lake waters belonging to Provo City may not be stored in Deer Creek Reservoir.

3. The Commissioner's record of the Provo Reservoir Canal may show a negative figure for secondary water, column 45, with total diversion, column 53, being reported as measured.
4. Regulation of Utah Power & Light water causes fluctuation of their water balance in Deer Creek Reservoir. This shall be labeled as Power Regulation Balance. This water will not be retained as storage in Deer Creek Reservoir, but will be handled as expeditiously as possible.
5. The bi-monthly report of the Commissioner will be issued seven days after the close of the report period.

These items, as set forth, are to be followed by the Commissioner until further study or permission to change is obtained."

Director Stratton inquired if the conditions had been adhered to? Director Gardner advised that generally they had. He further stated that problems still exist in late and inaccurate reports. That Mr. McKellar notifies the State Engineer by letter bi-monthly of these inconsistencies.

Director Stratton requested that the Commissioner and Mr. McKellar work together to settle these disputes.

It was then noted that Commissioner Roberts was the only candidate for Commissioner.

Whereupon Director Van Wagoner moved that Stan Roberts be recommended to the State Engineer as Provo River Commissioner for the ensuing year.

The motion was seconded by Director Stratton and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Roberts then recommended Deputy Commissioner Giles to be the Deputy Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Whereupon Director Gillman moved that Sherman Giles be nominated as the Deputy Commissioner to be recommended to the State Engineer as Deputy Commissioner for the ensuing year.

The motion was seconded by Director Robinson and carried with Director Giles abstaining from voting.

BUDGET AND ASSESSMENT 1984.

Chairman Ure called for a discussion of the budget and assessment for the following year. Chairman Ure then asked Secretary

Gardner to present the items of the 1984 budget for the consideration by the Board.

The first item of the Budget, the salaries of the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, were brought before the Board and after due discussion, Director Stratton moved that the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner be given a 5% increase in salary and that items 3 and 8 be adjusted from \$240 to \$300 and \$600 to \$300 respectively.

The motion was seconded by Director Gillman and carried.

Whereupon Secretary Gardner advised that the water Commissioners can now be covered under a group plan health insurance along with other State employees. That it may be to the best interest of the Commissioners to be covered under this group plan in lieu of the 5% raise in whole or in part as the Distribution System could pick up some portion of the premium.

Secretary Gardner was asked to contact the State and acquire the information relating to premiums, benefits, etc., for presentation at the meeting Thursday with the State Engineer and the budget and assessment would then be finalized.

MEETING WITH THE STATE ENGINEER:

Chairman Ure called attention to the following letter dated December 30, 1983.

NOTICE TO PROVO RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WATER USERS:

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with Title 73, chapter 5, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, a meeting of the water users of the Provo River Distribution System and representatives of the Division of Water Rights will be held Thursday, January 12, 1984 at 10:00 A.M. The meeting will be at the:

Utah County Courthouse
Room 311
Provo, Utah

The agenda will include the following topics:

1. Hearing the 1983 Financial Report.
2. Hearing the 1983 Commissioner's Report.
3. Preparing a budget of salaries and other necessary expenses.
4. Recommending a Commissioner for 1984.

5. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Yours truly,

Dee C. Hansen, P.E.
State Engineer

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Date Approved: _____

Jack M. Gardner
Secretary